

## PICKENS SCHOOL NEWS

The final examinations were held last week. The entire high school without a single exception passed these examinations and only a very small per cent of the grammar grades failed.

One of the most eloquent and soul-stirring sermons ever heard in Pickens was delivered to the graduating class in the Methodist church by Rev. Edwin R. Mason of Greenville.

We are losing three of our efficient lady teachers, Miss Ada Craig and Miss Ruby Baker are soon to take up other walks in life, and the school and the remaining teachers join in wishing them happiness and prosperity for they have done invaluable work during their years of labor in the school. Miss Isadora Williams, as has already been stated, is going into training in a special class at Battle Creek, Mich., (for nursing). During the two years that Miss Williams has been assistant teacher of the high school her efficiency has always been displayed and she has won the love and respect of both teachers and pupils.

Mr. Campbell made an address to the mill school last Saturday at their picnic.

The first of the commencement exercises of the Pickens High School was the sermon to the graduating class, by Rev. Edwin R. Mason of Greenville, Sunday in the Methodist church. It was generally conceded that this was one of the best sermons ever preached here and the entire congregation was fairly lifted by the beauty and earnestness with which it was delivered. Rev. E. T. Hodges assisted in the services.

Monday evening at 8.30 o'clock the graduating exercises were held in the school auditorium before a large audience. After invocation by Rev. E. T. Hodges and music by Bernice Carey, the class history was read by Miss Annie Gravely. This was followed with the class poem by Joe Frank Freeman. A quartette was then sung by Ethel Stewart, Bertha Cantrell, Steen Looper and Harrison Edens. Following this was the valedictory by Frank Keith. Each had prepared his part with care and rendered it with ease.

After the farewell song by the class, Gen. M. L. Bonham, of Anderson, delivered a most forceful address, which in accordance with the times, was very patriotic. Everyone greatly admired this address for Mr. Bonham is a truly great orator. Miss Ethelene Gantt then played a selection on the piano, after which the prizes offered for the best essay by the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, and the local chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy were awarded. The former was presented to Miss Mary Hallum of the seventh grade and the latter to Joe Frank Freeman of the graduating class. The certificates were presented to the finishing class by the high school teachers, Mr. T. H. Campbell and Miss Isadora Williams.

Those finishing are: Margaret Aiken, Bertha Cantrell, Joe Frank Freeman, Annie Gravely, Ella Lewis, Steen Looper, Taylor O'Dell, Ethel Stewart, Florence Stewart, Harrison Edens, Frank Keith and Charlie Yongue.

The report of the trustees has been given but no complete information has been received as to who all of next year's teachers will be. Probably all the lady teachers except Miss Ruby Baker, Miss Ada Craig and Miss Isadora Williams will be retained. A most successful year has just ended, but we hope next year there will be a still greater improvement.

### TENTH GRADE.

The following attendance, punctuality, deportment and scholarship records of Pickens school pupils cover the entire school year:

#### PERFECT ATTENDANCE

First Grade—Mary Gravely, Elsie Hester, Virginia Lewis, Eleanor Mauldin, Clay Newton.

Second Grade—Edith Hames, Ila Johnson, Irene Johnson, Annie Mae Stewart, Ruth Sutherland, David Gantt, Frank Partridge, Claude Seawright.

Third Grade—Linnie Cantrell, Nan Newton.

Fourth Grade—Ruth Gravely.

Fifth Grade—Daisy Bivens, Neta Belle Johnson.

Sixth Grade—Nannie Morris, Katie Cureton, Don Roark.

Seventh Grade—Eula Stewart, Robert Roark.

Eighth Grade—Austin Nealy.

#### PERFECT PUNCTUALITY

First Grade—Mary Gravely, Frederica Hallum, Eleanor Mauldin.

Second Grade—Francis Cureton, Helen Langston, Annie Mae Stewart, Margaret Valley, Connie Finney, David Gantt, Frank Partridge, Fant Thornley.

Third Grade—Margaret Richey, Hester Yongue, Webb Yongue.

Fourth Grade—Margaret Bivens, Ruth Gravely.

Fifth Grade—Lois Hames, Louise Hutchings, Athalia Hallum, Helen Griffin, Roy Herde, Mable Finney.

Sixth Grade—Edna Willis, Nannie Morris, Don Roark, Katie Cureton, Joe Robinson.

Seventh Grade—Eleanor McDaniel, Norman Yongue, Bonnie Henderson, Robert Roark, Fannie Finney, Mary Hallum, Emily Thornley, Sara Mae Freeman.

Eighth Grade—Ethelene Gantt, Nita Hames, Melanee Thornley.

#### PERFECT ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY

First Grade—Mary Gravely, Eleanor Mauldin.

Second Grade—Annie Mae Stewart, David Gantt, Frank Partridge.

Fourth Grade—Ruth Gravely.

Fifth Grade—Daisy Bivens.

Sixth Grade—Katie Cureton, Don Roark, Nannie Morris.

Seventh Grade—Robert Roark.

#### PERFECT DEPORTMENT

First Grade—Marjory Allen, Otis Cauly, Ora Hughes, Elsie Hester, Frederica Hallum, Mary Looper, Virginia Lewis, Frances McFall, Eleanor Mauldin, Charlie Craig, Clay Newton.

Second Grade—Mildred Baker, Francis Cureton, Ila Johnson, Irene Johnson, Amy Porter, Annie Mae Stewart, David Gantt, Oliver Hughes, Claude Seawright, Fant Thornley.

Third Grade—Wyatt Stewart, Nan Newton, Margaret Richey.

Fourth Grade—Marshall Hughes, Ruth Gravely, Lucile Hallum.

Sixth Grade—Mary Morris.

Eighth Grade—Neta Hames.

Tenth Grade—Margaret Aiken.

#### HIGHEST SCHOLARSHIP

First Grade—Frederica Hallum, Virginia Lewis; tied.

Second Grade—Annie Mae Stewart, Fant Thornley; tied.

Third Grade—Wyatt Stewart.

Fourth Grade—Ruth Gravely.

Fifth Grade—Eddie Stewart, Athalia Hallum; tied.

Sixth Grade—Edna Willis.

Seventh Grade—Eula Stewart.

Eighth Grade—Melanee Thornley.

Ninth Grade—Ellen Finley.

Tenth Grade—Joe Frank Freeman.

## PRIZE-WINNING ESSAY

The following essay won the first prize of \$5.00 given by the Pickens W. C. T. U. for the best essay on "Alcohol and the Human Body," and competed for by members of the seventh and eighth grades of the Pickens high school. The essay was written by Miss Mary Hallum, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. J. N. Hallum of Pickens. The Sentinel hopes to print the other two prize-winning papers in early issues:

### ALCOHOL AND THE HUMAN BODY.

Alcohol is a subject which may well engage our earnest attention because of the wave of protest against it that is now sweeping over the whole world.

We first want to know what alcohol is. Its friends say that it is a stimulant and a liquid food. We submit that alcohol is the greatest menace of the race.

Modern science declares that it has yet to be proved that the heart muscle can be stimulated by alcohol, that alcohol is a narcotic, water-absorbing anesthetic drug—a poison. It must be classed with opium, cocaine, morphine and other appetite-forming poison drugs. It cannot be taken with any degree of frequency without deterioration to the human tissue and it affects maliciously all cell life. One drink of intoxicating liquor disturbs the disease-germ-destroying white blood cells of the body—they stagger. With the germs of typhoid striking in on the bowels, with tuberculosis germs striking in on the lungs, the sluggish, impoverished white corpuscles of the drinker's blood are insufficient for their task and fail in the hour of physical crisis. Thus it is that pneumonia has a death mortgage on the drunkard! Thus it is that the so-called moderate drinker has but one chance in two for recovery from disease and for long life as compared with the total abstainer.

Just let us glance for a moment at the physiological action of alcohol. It causes lowering of the body temperature of from one to three degrees. At first it increases the heart action, but lowers the blood pressure through the dilation of the blood vessels. It affects the nervous system directly through the blood. It has been found present in the blood stream fifteen minutes after taking. It causes a tremendous flow of blood to the capillaries and small blood vessels that supply the stomach.

The materia medica says, alcohol when first applied to the skin gives a cool sensation, but afterward if evaporation be interfered with it

causes irritation and heat and if continued, produces inflammation. It has the same effect upon the mucous membranes. If taken in large quantities, appetite is lost and nausea appears, and the digestive power is suspended.

Sir William Osler, late of Johns Hopkins University, Professor of Medicine at Oxford, McGill and Pennsylvania Universities and one of the world's greatest physicians, says of alcohol that it produces acute inflammation of the stomach, hemorrhage of the pancreas, heart disease, cancer of the stomach, brights disease, fatty liver, hardening of the arteries, and a multitude of other afflictions of the body. It is reasonable to presume that where a vital organ like the stomach has its delicate tissues constantly irritated, as is done by the steady use of alcohol, that the way is opened for whatever pathological change may take place wherein diseases are given a chance to manifest themselves.

The researches of Beebe of Cornell Medical College, New York, show that alcohol may not only break down the defences of the body against disease but really causes disease by its interference with the functions of the liver. The liver burns up and destroys much poisonous waste matter generated in the system. When alcohol is in the blood the liver appears to attack it first as a poison easily burned, consequently waste matter is left undone as the oxidizing power of the liver is limited. Thus poisonous waste matter returns into the circulation and renders the blood impure.

One of the more recent discoveries of science is that alcohol, like ether and chloroform, has a tendency to dissolve lipid material of the blood cells. There is more of this delicate lipid material in the brains than in any part of the body, hence the brain is very easily disturbed by alcohol.

In hot weather the alcoholic drinker invites sunstrokes.

Dr. J. Wallace Beveridge, of the Cornell Medical College, says:

"The heat center is located in the fourth ventricle in the brain. By artificially stimulating this, we can lower or raise an animal's temperature. Alcohol through the blood, by virtue of its toxic effect has a direct action on this center."

Alcohol has been found a direct, unquestionable cause of mental dis-

eases in from ten to forty per cent. of all cases of insanity.

Science proves by delicate instruments of precision that a person under the influence of alcohol thinks, sees, hears and acts more slowly than the one who doesn't use alcohol.

Before the recent disturbance which called large numbers of our young men to the border, recruiting stations were turning back sixty-five per cent. of all applicants as physically unfit, the vast majority of them as the result of diseases for which alcohol is directly or indirectly responsible.

The verdict of the civilized nations of the world and of the world's greatest physicians is that alcohol is a terrible destroyer of human life, efficiency and happiness. It debauches character, blights hopes, creates criminals and lunatics. Making alcohol will be banished from our midst.

May young and old profit from the sad plight of Robert Burns, who, speaking from experience, said:

"Brandy, brandy, bane of life,  
Source of tumult and of strife;  
Could I but half thy sorrows tell,  
The wise would wish thee,  
Safe in Hell."

MARY HALLUM.

## From Ambler Section

The crops are in very good condition, tho late.

The Sunday school at Ambler is still in a flourishing condition, with Bro. J. R. Connelly as superintendent. He is also one of our best singers, and with Miss Susan Connelly at the organ our music is second to none. We had several visitors yesterday. Among them were Messrs. Henry Edens and Dean Stansell from Oolenoy, L. P. Simmons and Bertran Anthony from Griffin, and Misses Verona Mae Anthony and Ernestine Hendricks, also of Griffin.

Mr. and Mrs. Beco Watson visited A. C. Smith and family Sunday afternoon.

Ernest Trotter visited one of the fairer sex of Ambler Sunday, but this has become of his regular Sunday tricks.

Mrs. Esley Lynch and little son returned home yesterday, after a few days' stay at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Freeman.

Mr. and Mrs. Elbert McJunkin visited his parents Saturday and Sunday.

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## TO THE GIRLS AND WOMEN OF PICKENS COUNTY:

It is with an earnest to help wake up the girls and women of our county and State that I am writing these words, because I know from personal experience that few of us realize what a crisis our country is facing and what a serious question is before each of us. I want to do my part in waking up Pickens county to the fact that we must work, we must economize in every way. We must prepare for the future to which every one who knows the facts as they really are looks forward to with a heavy heart.

England waked up too late to the necessity of saving every bit of food stuffs possible and today her people are hungry. Her little children have not had enough to eat in two years, and because their little bodies are so poorly nourished, tuberculosis and other diseases are taking their hold upon them. At the food stations where each day one food card is brought for a family, where each day when the food is distributed and the card is punched for the days supplies, perhaps only a bit of bread, the card is often taken home without a punch because there is no food to give, and there is no food that day and the starving millions go hungry. That is across the ocean you think—but will this be the case in America? Yes, it will be and it is just ahead of us now and we do not half realize the situation in its seriousness. The thousands of dollars worth of food stuffs that have annually been shipped into South Carolina are cut off—and authorities tell us that should anything happen to that which we are receiving now that there is only enough in the State to last ten weeks.

Women and girls, we must wake up, we must wake others up. This is not a time now to put off until tomorrow—not a time to devote ourselves to pleasures and things that really do not count. We have a great and necessary work to do. We have as much to do as our soldiers have—perhaps more. Our country is needing us. On us depends the welfare of our country and our boys. We must take care of food stuffs in our homes. We must knit, sew, make pillow slips for our soldiers.

The soldiers at the front are needing pillows. When they are wounded they have no support for their heads or wounded limbs and our boys are among them at the front. South Carolina has been asked to give fifty thousand pillow slips made of unbleached cotton 16x24 when finished. These slips are sent to the front where women fill them with sea weed. They are used once, then the sea weed is taken out and put in vats where the blood is washed out, the sea weed is dried and used again. Surely, Pickens county girls and women, we can make these and help that much.

The Red Cross takes care of the sick and wounded. The National Service League for Women takes care of their welfare and trains girls and women in (1) Social and Welfare Work; (2) Home Economics; (3) Agriculture; (4) Industry; (5) Motor Driving; (6) Medical and Nursing; (7) General; (8) Health; (9) Civics; (10) Signalling; (11) Camping. This league is recognized by the United States Government. We must be prepared for all of these things now so when the time comes we will be trained and ready. The war is not nearly over as so many think. Perhaps it has only begun. The United States Government is preparing for from three to five years at the least. Authorities tell us that it may last for years.

Then the colored women must be made to know that if they do not wake up to facts this coming winter they will be hungry. We insist on their planting cow peas and collards on every inch of ground they have. They can't depend on the white people to help them because the white people won't have it to give. The National Service League for Women also organize the colored women and trains them to be prepared.

Women and girls of Pickens and Pickens county I appeal to you for the sake of humanity, for the sake of your brothers and friends and all of those dear to you, for country's sake, for your own sake and that of your home, line up in this Service League or the Red Cross or both. It is as important for you to do so as it is for our boys to enlist. Don't be a slacker in times like these. We must wake up to the real situation. We must prepare.

In about a week Miss Jane B. Evans, of the National League for Women's Service will be in Pickens to organize leagues and speak of these things. Let each of us be thinking about it seriously and when she comes let every woman and girl in Pickens county be present to hear her and help organize leagues for service. Pickens county women are coming to the front and do their bit. We do not believe our girls and women can ever be accused of being slackers.

The day of Miss Evans visit has not as yet been decided on. It will be one day the first of next week.

## Along Marietta Route 2

I will give you a few dots from this section since we have been blessed with the glorious rain and beautiful sunshine. While the rain of the 22d was heavy in this section, yet [we were more than glad to see it come.

G. W. Bowen is giving the roads of this section a dressing out which will be much appreciated by all of us.

Herbert Williams, who has been confined to his room for some time, is, we are glad to say, able to be out again.

The 12 months old child of Jas. A. Edens, who has been real sick, is convalescent now.

Our section was visited by good rains again on June 1st.

Rev. J. E. Foster filled his regular appointment at Mt. Tabor on last Sunday, good attendance and "nice" behavior, no evidence of "booze."

Miss Snowey Williams as Easley is visiting relatives and friends in this section this week.

Here's wishing that our own Woodrow Wilson would reduce the prices on flour, corn and so on so that we could bread our vegetables.

Crops are looking reasonably well since the copious showers came, although the stand of much of the cotton is poor. But we can't eat cotton no way.

Mrs. L. S. Edens and children visited her mother, Mrs. Mira Turner, of Dacusville route 1 last week.

Mrs. W. A. Edens and son, Marshall, visited at Mr. Wm. M. Edens' last week.

J. P. Robinson visited his sister, Mrs. J. D. M. Keith, of Oolenoy, who is still seriously sick, on last Wednesday.

The contractors will soon have the W. O. W. Hall for Bula Camp No. 910 completed, which will add much to the convenience of Woodmen of this section.

O. A. Crenshaw made a business trip to Pickens Thursday.

## Pickens Produce Market

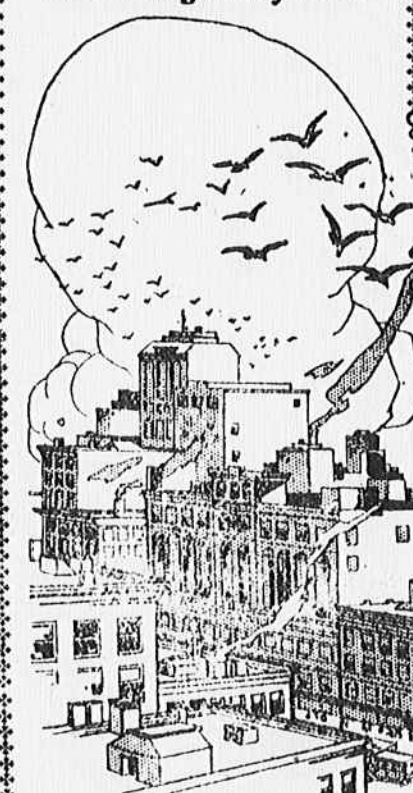
(Corrected Weekly by Folger, Thornley & Co.)

Cotton, pound	.214
Corn, bushel	\$2.00
Peas, bushel	2.50
Cane seed, bushel	2.00
Hams, pound	.25
Eggs, dozen	.30
Butter, pound	.25
Chickens, pound	.12

Notice will try to be sent out everywhere, but to be sure that you know the exact date call or see on next Monday June 11th.

LORENA TAYLOR.


## The Home Merchant Is Not a Migratory Bird



He is in the town to STAY.  
If HE is prosperous THE TOWN is prosperous.  
If the town is prosperous YOU ARE SURE TO SHARE in the prosperity.  
When you send your dollar out of town you KISS IT GOODBYE.

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